Weymouth. Feb 6. '49

Dear Mr May,

I am sorry any carelessness of mine should have occasioned you the trouble of writing. The book for Miss Henzell should be directed to Carrick on Shannon Connaught. R. D. Webb will take special charge of it, as he wished the book to be sent to her, she being the only contributor to the cause in that part of Ireland.

I hope I left the envelope directed to Andrew Paton & containing the names asking his acceptance of the printed paper in your hands, but I cannot exactly recollect. It is, I believe at any rate, lying somewhere in the office.

We are hoping to hear every day of the arrival of the French boxes; my brother has been engaged in forming some new business arrangements which have probably prevented him from attending to them before. We shall have the French Fair as soon as may be.

Will you see Mr Jackson & enquire if he has heard any thing of Mrs Edgeworth's MS. I find by looking over my writers' letters that Mrs E's MS was consigned to her daughter & that Mrs Chapman had nothing to do with seeing it sent off. It probably came in the St Nicholas. Has he heard any thing of it, & does he wish it sold at the little Fair; will you please talk with him about it. It contains figures in biscuit & china I think. I am glad the picture is finished.

Yrs very truly

A. W. Paxton.